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AN IMPROVED STRAINED SURFACE
LAYER AND METHOD OF FORMING
A STRAINED SURFACE LAYER IN A
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 4, 2004

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Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

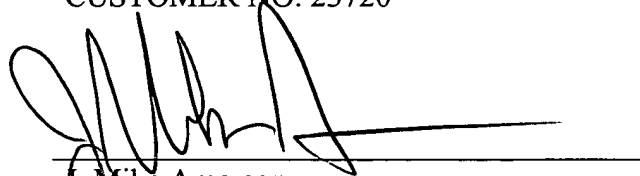
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